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பொதுக்கூட்டத்தில் கடைப்பிடிக்க வேண்டிய கூட்ட விதிமுறைகள்.

1. கூட்டம் தொடங்கியதுமுதல், நிகழ்ச்சிகளை அமைதியாகவும் ஒழுங்கு முறையோடும் நடத்துவதற்கு உறுப்பினர்கள் அனைவரும் தலைவருடன் ஒத்துழைக்க வேண்டும்.

2. கூட்ட நிரலை ஒளி / ஒலிப்பதிவு செய்ய விரும்பினால் உறுப்பினர்கள் தலைவரின் அனுமதியை முன் கூட்டியே பெறவேண்டும்.

3. உறுப்பினர்கள் தலைவரின் அனுமதியைக் கேட்டுப் பெற்ற பின்னரே பேச வேண்டும். மற்றவர்கள் பேசிக் கொண்டிருக்கும் போது யாரும் குறுக்கிட்டுப் பேசக் கூடாது.

4. பேசுகிற ஒவ்வொருவரும் தலைவரை நோக்கியே பேச வேண்டும். விவாதிக்கப்படும் பொருள் பற்றி மட்டுமே பேசலாம்.

5. ஒரு பொருள் பற்றி பேச ஓர் உறுப்பினருக்கு **மூன்று (3)** நிமிடமோ அதற்குக் குறைவான நேரமோ மட்டுமே அளிக்கப்படும்.

6. தலைவரின் அனுமதியுடன், உறுப்பினர் எவரும், அவர் ஏற்கெனவே பேசியிருந்தாலும் பேசாவிட்டாலும், ஒழுங்குப் பிரச்சினையை எழுப்பலாம்; அல்லது தன் பேச்சின் முக்கிய கருத்து சரியாக புரிந்துகொள்ளப்படவில்லை என்று கருதினால் விளக்கம் அளிக்கலாம்.

7. சம்பந்தமில்லாத கருத்து, கூறியதையே கூறுதல், கண்ணியமற்ற மொழி, அல்லது ஒழுங்குமுறையை மீறுதல் ஆகிய காரணங்களுக்காக ஓர் உறுப்பினரை அவருடைய பேச்சை நிறுத்துமாறு தலைவர் கட்டளையிடலாம்.

8. ஒழுங்குமுறை, விவாத விஷயங்கள் பற்றிய எல்லா அம்சங்களிலும் தலைவரின் தீர்ப்பே முடிவானது. அதுபற்றிய விவாதம் எதுவும் அனுமதிக்கப்படாது.

9. உறுப்பினர் எவராவது நிரந்தர விதிகள் எதனையும் மீறி ஒழுங்கற்ற முறையில் நடந்துகொண்டால், அத்தகைய உறுப்பினரைக் கூட்டத்தை விட்டு வெளியேறுமாறு கேட்கத் தலைவருக்கு அதிகாரம் உண்டு.

STANDING ORDERS FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The objective of the Standing Orders is to ensure the smooth running of the Annual General Meeting:

1. That every **MEMBER** shall co-operate and help the Chairman conduct the proceedings in a peaceful and orderly manner.

2. That every **MEMBER** shall seek the prior permission of the Chairman if he wishes to record the proceedings by any electronic means.

3. That every **MEMBER** who wishes to speak shall stand, mention his name and seek the prior permission of the Chairman. All observations shall be addressed towards the Chairman only.

4. That every **MEMBER** shall confine his observations to the subject under discussion and may not introduce matters irrelevant thereto and will be allowed to speak for **three** (**3)** minutes only. It shall be out of order to use offensive and insulting language about any Member.

5. That every **MEMBER** shall, with the permission of the Chair, be allowed to raise a point of order or in explanation of some material point in his speech, if he thinks it has been misunderstood.

6. That the **CHAIRMAN** shall put an immediate stop to a member's speech on grounds of irrelevancy, repetition, unbecoming language or behavior and shall direct such member to discontinue his speech.

7. That the **CHAIRMAN's** decision upon all questions or orders and matters in debate shall be final and shall not be open for discussions.

8. That the **CHAIRMAN** has the authority to request a member to leave the meeting on account that he disobeys any of the provisions of the Standing Orders or behaves in a disorderly or unbecoming manner or is up to mischief.

பொதுக் கூட்ட அறிக்கை மற்றும் கூட்ட நிரல்

தமிழர் பேரவையின் பொதுக்கூட்டம் **30.9.2012, ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை காலை 10.30 மணிக்கு**, 101 பாலஸ்டியர் சாலை, சிங்கப்பூர் 329678-ல் அமைந்துள்ள இலங்கை விளையாட்டு மன்றத்தில் (இரண்டாவது மாடி), நடைபெறும் என்று இதன்மூலம் முன்னறிவுப்பு செய்கிறோம்.

<u>கூட்ட நிரல்</u>

1. கூட்ட விதிமுறைகளை ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளுதல்.

2. தலைவர் உரை

3. 16.7.2011 அன்று நடைபெற்ற பொதுக்கூட்ட குறிப்புகளை உறுதிப்படுத்துதல்.

4. 16.7.2011 அன்று நடைபெற்ற பொதுக்கூட்டத்தின் குறிப்பகளிலிருந்து எழும் பிரச்சினைகள்.

5. 2011-ம் ஆண்டுக்கான மேலாண்மைக் குழுவின் அறிக்கையை ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளுதல்.

6. 2011-ம் ஆண்டுகளுக்கான தணிக்கைச் செய்யப்பட்ட நிதிக் கணக்கு அறிக்கையை ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளுதல்.

7. 2012-2013 காலக்கட்டத்திற்கான வெளி-கணக்காய்வாளர்களை உறுதிப்படுத்துதல்.

8. சிங்கப்பூர் தமிழர்கள் கட்டடம் பற்றிய விளக்கம்.

9. பொதுக்கூட்டத்திற்கு குறைந்தது 3 நாட்களுக்கு முன்னதாகப் பொதுச் செயலாளரிடம் சமர்பிக்கப்பட்ட மனுக்களை விவாதித்தல்.

வெ பாண்டியன்
பொதுச் செயலாளர்

குறிப்பு: **உறுப்பினர்களின் பதிவு காலை 10.00 மணிக்கு தொடங்கும்**.
உறுப்பினர்கள் / பிரதிநிதிகள் தங்கள் அடையாள அட்டையை உடன் கொண்டுவர வேண்டும்.
கூட்டத்திற்கு பிறகு மதிய உணவு பரிமாறப்படும்.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Annual General Meeting of the Tamils Representative Council will be held on **SUNDAY 30 September 2012, at 10.30 a.m**. **at CEYLON SPORTS CLUB (Function Room, Level 2), 101 Balestier Road, Singapore 329678.**

AGENDA

1. To adopt the Standing Orders.
2. Address by President.
3. To confirm and adopt the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 16 July 2011.
4. Matters arising out of the minutes of the General Meeting of 16 July 2011.
5. To receive and adopt the Report of the Management Council for 2011.
6. To receive and adopt the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year 2011.
7. To confirm appointment of External Auditors for the period 2012 – 2013.
8. Discussion on Singapore Tamils Community Building Project.
9. To consider such other business of which at least 3 days notice in writing shall have been given to the General Secretary.

Pandiyan V
General Secretary

Reminder: ***Registration of Members will commence at 10.00 am.***
Members/Representatives must produce their Identity Cards for verification of membership.
Lunch will be provided after the meeting.

- **மனுக்கள்**

பொதுக் கூட்டத்தில் ஏதும் கருத்தினை விவாதிக்க விரும்பினால், அது சம்மந்தப்பட்ட விவரத்தை 25.9.2012 க்குள் எங்களுக்கு அனுப்பிவைக்க வேண்டும்.

- **ஆண்டறிக்கை தணிக்கைச் செய்யப்பட்ட நிதிக் கணக்கு**

மேற்கண்ட அறிக்கைகளை பெற விரும்புவோர், எங்களுடன் தொடர்புக் கொண்டு அவற்றைப் பெற்றுக்கொள்ளலாம். பேரவையின் வலைப்பக்கம் (www.trc.org.sg) மூலமாகவும் அவற்றைப் பெறலாம்.

- **MOTIONS**

Any member who wishes to propose any motion must give notice of motion in writing to the General Secretary not later than 6.00 pm on 25 September 2012. **All such motions, if found to be in order, shall be placed on the Agenda, in order received, following the business of TRC as appended in the Agenda.**

- **ANNUAL REPORT & AUDITED ACCOUNTS**

As part of our cost cutting measures, the Annual Report and Accounts will only be mailed to members upon request. However, they can be viewed and printed from our website. Hardcopies are also available at the TRC Office. All who attend the AGM will also be given a copy.

To facilitate smooth logistic arrangements, we will appreciate if you could:

1. Call us at 63366316 to confirm your attendance;
2. Bring along your NRIC for registration.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY 16 JULY 2011, AT 5.00PM AT CEYLON SPORTS CLUB 101 BALESTIER ROAD SINGAPORE 329678

Attendance

Members & Affiliate Representatives: 120

1.0	**Welcome Address**
1.1	Gen Secretary (GS) called the meeting to order at 5.00pm. He announced that there was a quorum as 65 voting members were present. *(50 voting members being the minimum required)*
1.2	GS requested that the Standing Orders as stated in the Annual Report be adopted before the start of the AGM proper.
1.3	The Standing Orders were adopted as proposed by Mr R Balan and seconded by Mr Subramaniam.
1.4	GS informed members that all proceedings of the AGM will be recorded and reminded members not to do any form of personal recording.
2.0	**President's Address**
2.1	Full text of President's speech can be found in *Annex A*.
2.2	President in addition highlighted the following as he had been questioned by some members, as to what he had achieved as President of TRC. • Recommended jobs for a number of Tamil youths. • Assisted Indian/Tamil businessmen, Tamil writers by advising them and giving financial support. • TRC had donated reasonable amounts to Narpani, LISHA, SIND, TLC and other organizations and Affiliates, for their events. • Had personally contributed more than $300,000 to various community funds and projects. • Donated $100,000 under his parents' name for SIET fund • TRC had presented bursaries to Tamils students from low income families. This was previously done jointly with TRC Coop, but since 2009 jointly with Sinda and SIET. • TRC had linked up with MDIS to give out scholarships for members and their children to pursue Diplomas. • TRC gave out Excellent Awards every year to Tamil students who had excelled in the Tamil language and performed well in other core subjects. This was done with the support of MOE and SINDA. • TRC had presented Life Long Achievement Awards to Tamils who had contributed to the community.

	• TRC organizes the Tamil Language Forum yearly during the Tamil language month. This event has always been well attended and good support is being given by MOE and the Singapore Tamil Teachers Union. • Through his contribution, Tamil Community can be proud that there is a statue of Thiruvalluvar in Singapore at MDIS amongst the statues of 9 well-known educationalists erected at the entrance of Campus. • Together with STTU and Tamil Murasu, TRC has been supporting the annual Tamil Teacher Awards.
3.0	**Confirmation and Adoption of AGM Minutes**
3.1	Mr Ilangovan stated that he had written to the Gen Secretary to include an item on "Discussion on TRC Coop matters". However, as a result of the President's speech where he had clearly outlined the issues at hand, he was happy to withdraw the said request.
3.2	<u>Reference to item 5.1</u> Mr Ilangovan stated that he will like the paragraph to include the sentence "Dr Theyvendran assured the meeting that future AGMS will be conducted annually and by the end of June". He mentioned that, President had given this assurance when he had queried on why the AGM had not been held annually.
3.3	<u>Reference to item 5.3</u> Mr Ilangovan proposed that this should read as "SINDA report showed that 10% of Indians were not doing well in maths consistently. TRC should study the progress made by Indians and refer such feedbacks to SINDA'.
3.4	President replied that the 2010 AGM was not held due to the urgent need to change the external auditors. TRC's previous auditors M/s Natarajan & Swaminathan and Co had audited the accounts and it was only after that TRC had realized that there was a conflict of interest.
3.5	This was due to Mr Narayana Mohan being the Treasurer of the TM 75th Anniversary Committee and as the accounts had been maintained by TRC, there was a conflict of interest. As such, TRC MC had to change the auditors. The new auditors then did a full audit due to the strict regulatory measures introduced by the Registrar. As the 2nd audit took some time and was only completed towards the end of the year, TRC MC had decided not to hold the AGM in 2010 in view of the cost.
3.6	He further stated that the MC was thinking of amending the constitution to hold the General meeting once in 2 years instead of annually.
3.7	President also replied that TRC had brought the issue of Tamils not doing well in Mathematics to SINDA. TRC also had discussions with some government organizations on Tamil students not doing well in core subjects. However, due to the sensitivity of the issue TRC was not able to discuss this further.
3.8	As there were no further amendments, the minutes of the meeting were

	adopted as proposed by Mr Ilangovan and Seconded by Mr Muthu, with the amendments proposed by Mr Ilangovan having been accepted.
4.0	**Matters Arising Out of the AGM Minutes**
4.1	Mr Manimaran raised the following queries in relation to the Minutes. Item 5.6: What was the progress made on the GIRO contribution data? Item 5.7: What has the MC done in the past 2 years to raise membership? Item 5.8: What measures had been taken to increase GIRO contributions? Item 5.9: President had stated that the incoming MC will deliberate on TRC's Vision and Mission. What was the status? Item 7.5: Had the MC appointed any Internal Auditors?
4.2	Gen Secretary's reply to Mr Manimaran's queries were as follows:
4.2.1	The membership records had been cleaned and updated and also computerized. Members had been reminded to pay their annual subscriptions and those who had failed to do so had their names removed. This will continue and TRC may see more ordinary members' names being removed every year if the subscriptions were not paid.
4.2.2	GS also added that some Affiliate organizations were also in arrears of subscription despite reminders being sent. As such some representatives had not been allowed to attend this meeting in accordance with the Constitution.
4.2.3	MC had done its part in raising membership and that MC members had been tasked to introduce 2 members at each meeting. Life Membership had increased from 236 to 245. Ordinary membership had reduced from 917 to 762 due to the cleaning up process.
4.2.4	GIRO contribution had remained more or less constant as those who failed to contribute were removed and new contributors replacing them.
4.2.5	He further stated increasing membership or GIRO contributions should not be solely left to the MC. General members should also play their part by introducing their friends and family members and encouraging them to join TRC.
4.2.6	As to TRC's strategic plans, this was not the appropriate forum to discuss it as it will take much time. The following key issues had been implemented however:- • KPIs for MC Members; • KPIs for Affiliate Organisations and availability of Resources to Affiliates; • Streamlining of TRC's sub-committees so that they will be more effective and focus orientated; • Provision of limited funding ($500.00) to each Affiliate annually for innovative programmes, subject to conditions.

4.2.7	There were plans for a retreat for Affiliates where the plans will be discussed in details.
4.2.8	The MC had elected 2 Internal Auditors (Mr Nachiappan and Dr C T Muthu).
4.3	Reference to item 8.5, Mr M P Samy asked why some MC members were taking legal action against TRC Coop when the Registrar of Co-operative Societies had ruled that TRC and TRC Co-op were 2 different entities.
4.4	Gen Secretary replied that neither TRC nor its Management Committee had taken any legal action against TRC Co-operative. The legal action that Mr Samy had referred to had been taken by certain members was under their personal capacity and there was no basis for TRC to be involved.
4.5	Mr P Elango, stood up to point out that he had brought in a number of Life and Ordinary members even though he had been outstation most of the time. He called on other members to similarly do their part in increasing membership.
5.0	**Adoption of the Report of the Management Council for 2009 - 2010**
5.1	Mr Manimaran raised the following issues with regards to the Annual Report. • The report indicated that there were some changes to TRC's Vision and Mission. As such it will be good if the Secretary could elaborate on this. • The report should contain information on the attendance of MC members at their meetings. • The report should show a comparative table on membership and its Funds. • As the constitution stated that the Delegates meetings should be held quarterly, how many such meetings were held? • Under each activity organized by TRC, the number of participants should be included. • Members should be kept informed about the various dialogue sessions held by TRC with government leaders and agencies. This will then assure the members that the MC was doing its part and looking after the interests of its members and the Community.
5.2	President replied that discussions with government leaders and agencies are confidential. Full details are given at the MC meeting and any relevant information will be publicized to all members. GS replied that sharing the strategic plans was not possible at the meeting as it will take half a day. In the event the Affiliates retreat goes ahead, representatives will be apprised of this and discussed further.
5.3	GS further replied that no Delegates meeting were held in 2010 and the Affiliate

	representatives had been briefed on the reasons at the first Delegates meeting in 2011. On behalf of the MC, GS apologized for not holding quarterly meetings but assured that such meetings will be held more regularly in future.
5.4	GS further stated that Mr Manimaran's suggestions were good and thanked him. He assured the meeting that all suggestions will be considered and implemented where possible.
5.5	President suggested that Mr Manimaran could have raised such issues or given feedback to TRC via email or letter rather than use this forum to raise general issues.
5.6	Mr Manimaran further queried on why funds in the Kandasamy Trust Fund was very low, even though funds had been raised for this.
5.7	GS replied that funds raised for specific purposes are spent for the same purpose and any balance is then transferred to the relevant account at the end of the year.
5.8	As TRC does not keep separate bank accounts for different funds all monies received are kept in one operating account. At the end of each year, the Treasurer will work out the percentage and transfer balance monies to the different funds kept as book entries. He also pointed out that TRC has the following funds:- • Building Fund • Cultural Fund • Education Fund (Kandasamy Trust Fund)
5.9	Mr Moganaruban commented that meetings should be kept short. Members who wish to raise issues could have submitted them to the GS in advance as the report and accounts were available in advance.
5.10	President echoed Mr Moganaruban's comments. He reiterated that members may not wish to attend further meetings if such meetings dragged on.
5.11	Mr Ilangovan requested the Chair and the members to be tolerant as the AGM was being held after 2 years and some members would have a number of issues to raise.
5.12	Mr Ilangovan further commented that he liked the format of the Report and that the accounts had been audited for 2 years.
5.13	He highlighted that the information contained in the website should synchronize with what the Constitution states. An example was the powers bestowed on the Executive Committee which was parallel with that of the Management Council.
5.14	He urged the key office bearers to take note and rectify as necessary. He also

	suggested the following enhancements to the report:- • Report to show who was heading which committee and what they had done; • Appendix of events organized by TRC
5.15	Mr Ilangovan also reminded that he had raised the GIRO contribution issue at the last AGM and urged the MC to re-look at the figures indicated in the report. He was very doubtful that only 60 people contributed through GIRO in 2000. In the 90s, TRC had nearly 3,000 GIRO contributors. Why was there such a drastic drop?
5.16	GS replied that over the years many GIRO contributors had stopped contributing due to several reasons like retirement, no income, change of account number, death etc. As to the drastic drop he agreed to re-look at the data and rectify if necessary.
5.17	Mr Ilangovan agreed to take this offline so as not to delay the meeting. (At this juncture a number of Muslim members took their leave as they had to attend some important prayers. President thanked them for the presence and support)
5.18	Mr Manimaran queried as to why the address of TRC was still reflecting Sophia Road.
5.19	GS said at the time of the report it was still Sophia Road and the Registrar of Societies had not approved the change of the address yet.
5.20	As there were no further queries, the Management Council Report was adopted with Mr Nara proposing and seconded by Mr Siva.
6.0	**Adoption of the Audited Statement of Accounts for 2010**
6.1	Mr Manimaran enquired as to why in 2008 the accounts had stated as 'accrued party' and in the current accounts it was stated as 'related party'.
6.2	President replied that the amount shown was not in question. However different Auditors may classify it differently. The amount in question (page 62) referred to the interest that was due from TRC Cooperative for the loan of $100,000.
6.3	Mr Manimaran also enquired as to what "Restricted Fund" and "Unrestricted Fund" meant.
6.4	President agreed that he too was not sure of the meaning and that the query will be referred to the Auditors. He further assured members that TRC's accounts are transparent and that Auditors had been satisfied of proper management.

6.5	As there were no further issues the audited statement of accounts for 2009/2012 was adopted as proposed by Mr Nara and seconded by Mr Siva.
6.6	GS reminded Mr Manimaran and all members that Notice of the AGM had been sent to all members in advance and the AGM Report and accounts were available on the website and at TRC office.
7.0	**Election of Scrutinizers**
7.1	GS stated that there was no necessity to elect scrutinizers as there will be no elections.
8.0	**Election of Management Council for the period 2011 – 2013**
8.1	GS stated that at the close of nominations on 8.7.2011 a total of 21 nominations had been received for election to the TRC Management Council.
8.2	As the nominations received equaled the exact number as indicated in the Constitution, there will be no election of members to the Management Council.
8.3	The list of nominations received were as below:- **Members** Dr R Theyvendran PBM Mr S Vivakanandan Mr V Balakrishnan Mr Kader Sultan Mr Pandiyan Vellasami Mr K Sathinathan Mr Shareef Abdul Jaffar Ms Shoba Gunasekaran Mr Ricky J Gouthaman Mr Mahadevan Lukshumayeh Mr Raja Mohammad Bin Maiden Ms Thiruselvi d/o Rajah Gopal **Institutional Members** Mr N R Govinden BBM Mr R Balan Mr R P Thangasundram Mr A R Mashuthoo Mr M Kunaseakanan Ms S Janagi Mr V Kalaichelvam Mr S Tharmaraj Mr Yousuf Rowther Rajid Ahamed

8.4	Members' present unanimously approved the election of the 21 nominees to the TRC Management Council.
9.0	**Election of Internal Auditors for the period 2011 - 2013**
9.1	GS reported that only 1 nomination had been received for the position of Internal Auditors. As such the nomination of Dr Muthuvel will be accepted. GS further called for nominations for a 2nd Internal Auditor.
9.2	President suggested that Mr Manimaran could serve as an Internal Auditor.
9.3	Mr Kalamohan proposed Mr Manimaran and this was seconded by Mr C S Balan. Mr Manimaran accepted the proposal and was thereby elected as an Internal Auditor.
10.0	**Any Other Matters**
10.1	GS reported that he had not received any representations or notice prior to the AGM for discussion.
10.2	President informed members that a record number of 120 people were present at the AGM and this was a sign of confidence and support for the new team.
10.3	President stated that the new Management Council had a number of new and capable members. He was confident that the new team will continue to do its best to maintain the trust and confidence of members and the Tamil community. He urged members to continue giving their support. He thanked members present for their attendance and strong support.
10.4	Mr Kamalanathan proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and this was seconded by Mr C S Balan.
10.5	GS thanked everyone and announced that the meeting had ended at 7.30 pm. He then invited all to stay for the lucky draw and then proceed to dinner.

Minutes Recorded by: **Ms S Janagi, Dy Gen. Secretary**

Vetted by: **Mr V Pandiyan, Gen. Secretary**

Approved by: **Dr R Theyvendran, President**

Tamil Representative Council (TRC) MANAGEMENT COUNCIL'S REPORT FOR 20011

The Report covers the period 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2011.

1 COMPOSITION

At the Annual General Meeting held on 16th July 2011, the following persons were elected to the Management Council: -

Title of Office	Name
President	Dr R Theyvendran PBM
Dy President	Mr S Vivakanandan
Vice-President	Mr V Balakrishnan
Vice-President	Mr R Balan
Vice-President	Mr A R Mashuthoo
Vice-President	Dr N R Govinden BBM
General Secretary	Mr V Pandiyan PB, PBS
Deputy Gen Secretary	Ms Janagi Somu
Deputy Gen Secretary	Mr S Tharmaraj
Hon Treasurer	Mr Khader Sultan
Assistant Hon Treasurer	Mr Gouthaman Jayaram
Council Member	Mr K Sathinathan PBM
Council Member	Mr M Kunaseakanan PB, PBS
Council Member	Mr Mahadevan Lukshumayeh
Council Member	Mr R P Thanagasundram
Council Member	Mr Raja Mohammad
Council Member	Mr Shareef Bin Abdul Jaffar
Council Member	Mr V Kalaichelvam
Council Member	Mr Yousuf Rowther Rajid Ahamed
Council Member	Ms R Thiruselvi
Council Member	Ms Shoba Gunasekaran
Internal Auditor	Dr C T Muthuvel
Internal Auditor	Mr A Manimaran

2 KEY OBJECTIVES OF TRC

- To promote and safeguard the interest of the Tamil speaking community in the Republic of Singapore.
- To foster unity, equality and fraternity amongst the Tamil speaking community in the Republic of Singapore.
- To encourage co-operative and thrift movements amongst the Tamil speaking community in the Republic of Singapore.
- To promote industries and industrial education amongst the Tamil speaking community in the Republic of Singapore.
- To co-ordinate Tamil educational, cultural, welfare, social, economic, sports and co-operative activities in the Republic of Singapore, not only between member organisations but also with other organisations with similar objectives.
- To actively promote, encourage and coach the youth in the Tamil community to succeed as leaders of the community in the future.
- To cultivate, promote and foster the exchange of ideas and understanding between the Tamils and other cultures.

3 REVIEW OF 2011

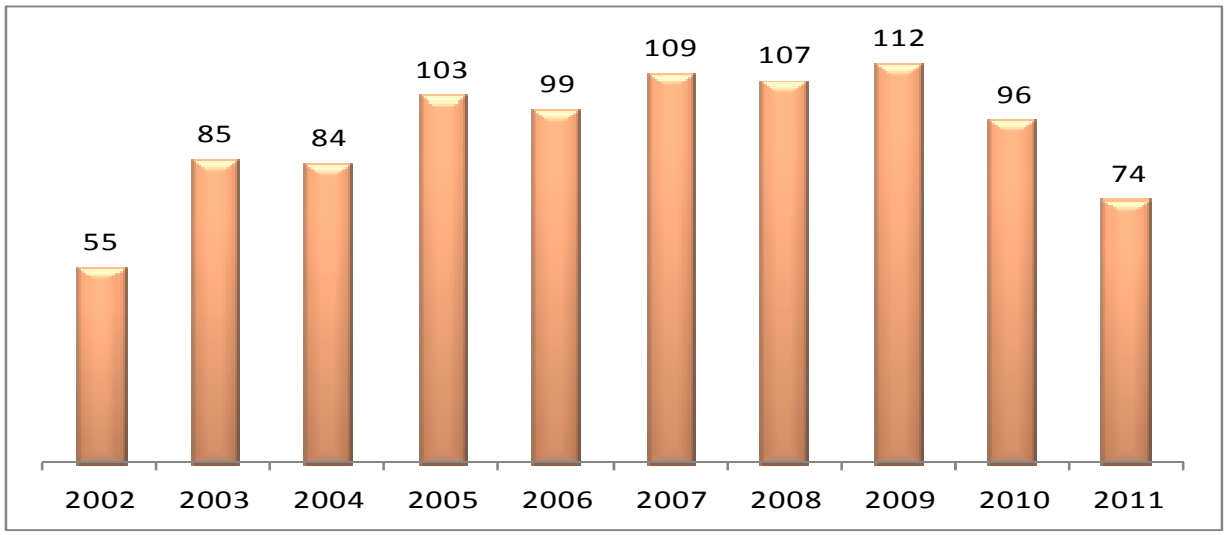
TRC continued to actively engage the Community. We worked closely with affiliates and other Community and National Organizations like SINDA, TLC, TLLPC, LISHA, Tamil Murasu and Narpani.

3.1 TRC Bursary Awards

Once again TRC joined hands with SINDA and SIET to present the Indian Community Bursary Awards on 9 January 2011.

74 needy Tamil primary school students received bursaries ranging between $100 and $300. A total of $9,200 was awarded as bursaries this year. .

Over the last decade TRC has helped 924 needy students with about $135,500 as shown in the charts below.





Sree Ramar Temple, one of our affiliates also awarded bursaries to 50 students who had applied for the TRC Bursary Awards. This is the 2nd consecutive year that Sree Ramar Temple is joining forces with TRC to take some of TRC's applicants and award them Bursaries.

3.2 National Budget Talk

One of TRC's objectives is to help the Community understand and benefit from National Policies. Towards this end, a talk in Tamil on "Budget 2011" was organised on 20 March 2011. The talk was well attended by more than 70 individuals and entrepreneurs. We received very good feedback and the talk was covered well in the Tamil media. Mr R Narayanamohan and Mr Seeni Jaffar Ghani were the speakers for the day and the event was moderated by Mr Vadivalagan PVSS. We are grateful to both for volunteering their services to TRC.

3.3 Futsal Fiesta

Futsal Fiesta was held for the 5th year on 26 March 2011. This year we were happy to co-host this tournament with SINDA. 16 teams comprising 112 number of students enthusiastically participated in the programme.

One of the new unique features of the Futsal Fiesta this year is the active participation of students from the SINDA STEP programme. STEP is a nation-wide tuition programme helmed by SINDA. The Futsal Tournament allowed STEP students to enjoy healthy pursuits while at the same time attending tuition. It reinforced the message that you can balance sports with studies. Mr Inderjit Singh, MP for Ang Mo Kio GRC, honored us by gracing the event as the GOH.

A joint evaluation by SINDA and TRC showed that the programme was well received and achieved its desired outcome. It has been agreed TRC and SINDA will continue to organize this event jointly. We will be looking into expanding this event to include female teams in the Tournament.

3.4 Tamil Language Forum

Recognized as the 'signature' event during the annual Tamil Language Festival held in the month of April, the forum was attended by more than 500 students, Tamil Language Teachers and Community Leaders.

The forum aims to emphasize the importance of spoken Tamil and explore ways to encourage and increase the usage of the language. The forum also serves as a stage to launch the involvement of our young leaders in encouraging the use of the language as a fun and modern language and that our students or youths should not shy away or be afraid in using the language.

Over the years, TRC has received positive feedback on the excellent organization and participation rate. Teachers have also used the learning points gained from the speakers to hold further discussions and feedback sessions with their students in their respective Schools.

The event was held at the Grassroots Club on 9 April 2011 and featured Mr T Rajasegar (CEO, SINDA), Dr Annitha Annadurai (Consultant Emergency Medicine, SGH) and Mr S Gunasegaran (Singer, Songwriter and Music Director).

- Mr Rajasegar focused on the education standards of our Tamil students and areas that we were strong and weak. He also shared pointers on the various assistance programmes available for students and how they could use it. In addition he talked on the importance of setting goals and the need to plan for the future as these will give clarity to questions like, "what subjects to take", "which institution to choose", "which career to select", etc.

- Dr Annitha related her experience at work and how having learnt the Tamil language continues to help her in relating with her patients. She also shared her difficulties in learning the language and how she motivated and prepared herself to achieve success in life.

- Mr Gunasegaran shared his learning journey on how he had succeeded in the Media industry and how he has been using Tamil in his progress as a lifelong learner. He also highlighted on the use of media techniques and tools like *iPad* and computer gaming concepts to showcase how Tamil can be used as a living language.

3.5 Fun@Library

This is another joint event, with our Affiliate, Sirpigal and NLB. (National Library Board)

This event was introduced in 2011 to encourage students to use Tamil Language in a fun and innovative way. This event was jointly organized with Sirpigal and NLB. It was held on 15 April 2011 at Tampines Regional Library.

Participants were exposed to the various services available at the Libraries and students could take advantage in improving their reading and research skills. There were also individual and team games that focused on using Tamil language as medium for communication, research, writing and presentation. Every participant received souvenirs and book vouchers.

The event was well received with more than 100 students participating. Both Teachers and Students felt that the event (2 hours) was too short as they actually did not want the programme to end. The fun and relaxed mood created during the programme made it very easy for the students to converse in Tamil and contribute towards the games segment. Teachers suggested that such events should be held more regularly rather than once a year.

3.6 Sorpor (National Tamil Debate for Primary Schools)

TRC together with Ministry of Education's S3 Cluster organized the National Tamil Debate series for primary schools. This was held between February and April 2011. This debate which is held once every two years was being organized for the second time.

This initiative came about from dialogue sessions with some Primary School Teachers who lamented on the lack of structured competitions for their students.. Debates have been held for Secondary and Tertiary students for the past 10 years or more. However, this had never been organized for Primary level students as many viewed that the younger students will not be able debate or speak as well as their older siblings. Although the usual competitions like public speaking, dance, drama etc. were being held, they suggested holding a debate series that will focus on teamwork, research, writing and presentation skills. The Teachers also suggested conducting workshops to prepare the students. Having considered these suggestions, TRC decided to take up the challenge and roped in a group of Teachers with the blessing of MOE for this series. As such SORPOR is a pioneer programme introduced by TRC.

The objectives of the debates were as follows:

- To enable the Indian students to improve their proficiency in Tamil Language, both spoken and written, through debating and articulation skills.

- To enhance the interest of all our students in the learning of Tamil language.

- To encourage and promote wider use of spoken Tamil both in school and at home in line with the current initiatives of the government.

- To promote community cohesiveness, through regular interaction between educational institutions and grassroots organizations.

We were very encouraged by the active participation. A total of 32 Schools comprising 160 debaters participated in this debate series over a total of 5 rounds (2 preliminary rounds, quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals). The finals were held on 15 April 2011 with Tampines Primary School going away with the Challenge Shield and cash of $1,000. The GOH for the event was Mr Hri Kumar Nair, MP for Bishan-Toa Payoh GRC. The runners-up were Shuqun Primary School and the best speaker was Ms Shana Karthik from Tampines Primary School.

TRC conveys its appreciation and gratitude to MOE, all participating Schools, Tamil Teachers, Volunteers, Debate Chairpersons, Timekeepers and the Judges for their support, guidance and assistance. The Judges for the finals were Mr T Rajasegar (CEO, SINDA), Mrs Susila Ghandian (Lawyer) and Mr Vadivazhagan PVSS (Lawyer/Artiste) and the Debate Chairperson for the series was Mr Bimel Ram.

Sorpor will be next held in 2013 and TRC has been engaging Mediacorp and Vasantham to explore telecasting the semi-finals and finals.

3.7 Dialogue Session with Dr Tony Tan

TRC coordinated and organized a dialogue session, “In Conversation with Dr Tony Tan”. This was held on 22 August 2011 at MDIS Auditorium.

The dialogue session was attended by about 400 Community Leaders, TRC and Affiliate members and invited guests. The session created an opportunity for Dr Tony Tan to meet the Indian Community Leaders and to update himself on the progress of the community, its challenges and to re-acquaint himself with the key Community Leaders.

3.8 Back to School Project

This event was organized together with SINDA and SIET where students from low income families were presented with items that will assist them when they go to School in the new year. Items like, shoe vouchers, school bags, stationery etc were handed out to these students. More than 200 students benefit from this combined community effort.

The event also served to launch the Indian Community Bursary Awards where more than 2,000 students received bursaries from SINDA, SIET and TRC. This was held on 3 December 2011 at Umar Pulavar Tamil Language Centre.

3.9 Advocacy to MOE

TRC makes representations to the Government on key issues facing the Tamil Community. In this regard, TRC made representations to the Singapore Examination & Assessment Board (SEAB) and MOE on the scheduling of the GCE 'O' Level Maths paper one day after Deepavali.

Briefly the letter stated that, 'Hindu students were at a distinct disadvantage by the scheduling. Although TRC was aware of the scheduling complexities for the examinations, it did not subscribe to the view that this matter could not be resolved amicably. It also stated that the Community was frustrated at the continuing insensitiveness of the SEAB as this scheduling issue has been raised before.

SEAB replied that they had considered our appeal and that due to the restricted time frame to conclude all the papers so that results could be released in January 2012, the timetable had been set likewise. They assured us that where possible they will not schedule examinations the day before or after major festivals.

TRC was not entirely satisfied with the reply received as although SEAB had indicated their constraints in setting the timetable, they had not conceded that the scheduling had been unfair to Hindu students. We further stated that SEAB has to be fair to each and every student when setting the exam timetable and requested SEAB to give a commitment to the Community that SEAB will work towards a solution.

Our representations were copied to the Indian Ministers and the Education Minister so that they are aware of the situation.

3.10 TRC Coffee Book

As part of TRC's 60th anniversary celebrations TRC is working "Coffee-Table Format Book" on TRC. The intent is to capture our heritage and TRC's role in Community. Key people who have played an important role in TRC will be interviewed for this book. Through these interviews we hope to tell the history of TRC.

The cost for writing the script will be about $4000. Dr Theyvendran has agreed to personally sponsor the cost of printing the book. Management Committee has drawn up the list of names to be interviewed. TRC expects to launch the book in late 2012 or early 2013.

4 <u>FINANCIAL STATUS</u>

As at end December 2011, TRC financial status was as follows:-

- Current Account (DBS) $37,529.00

- Fixed Deposit Status:-

S/No	Bank Name	Deposit Amount	Maturity Date
1	State Bank of India	$301,953.17	22 Feb 2013
2	Bank of East Asia	$101,082.96	1 Jun 2013
3	Indian Overseas Bank	$124,436.79	11 Apr 2013
	Total	**$527,472.92**	

- Total Expenditure for 2011: $112,920.00

- Income over Expenditure for 2011: $12,565.00

Note: TRC's main income is from Donations, GIRO contributions and Affiliate Subscriptions Full details are available in the attached Auditor's Report

4.1 Contributions made by TRC in 2011

S/No	Details	Receiving Organisation	Amt
1	TLC & TLLPC Fund Raising	TLC & TLLPC	$5,000.00
2	Ponggol Celebrations	LISHA	$3,000.00
3	Most Inspiring Tamil Language Teacher	Tamil Murasu	$3,000.00
4	SINDA 20th Anniversary	SINDA	$3,000.00
5	SKML 70th Anniversary	SKML	$600.00
6	New Year Eve Dinner 2010	Ceylon Sports Club	$500.00
7	Charity Gala Dinner (Fund Raising)	Sree Munneswaran Temple	$500.00
8	Narpani - SINDA Family Day	Narpani Pearavai	$500.00
9	Fund Raising Dinner	Sri Guru Ragavendra Society	$500.00
10	New Year Eve Dinner 2011	Ceylon Sports Club	$500.00
11	Vasantham Family Day (12 Tickets)	Narpani Pearavai	$120.00
		Total	**$17,220.00**

4.2 Donations/Contributions Received by TRC in 2011

S/no	Names	Organisation	Amount	Purpose
1	Lee Foundation	NA	$20,000.00	Bursary
2	Sree Ramar Temple	TRC Affiliate	$7,500.00	Bursary to TRC Applicants
3	Design Terminal Pte Ltd	NA	$5,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
4	MDIS	NA	$5,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
5	TCC	NA	$3,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
6	Seashore Transportation	NA	$2,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
7	Mr R N Kumaran	Individual	$1,000.00	Bursary
8	Ceylon Sports Club	TRC Affiliate	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
9	Dr R Theyvendran	TRC MC	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
10	HOGA	NA	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
11	Mr Gouthaman	TRC MC	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
12	Mr V Balakrishnan	TRC MC	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
13	SCTA	TRC Affiliate	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
14	Sirpigal	TRC Affiliate	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
15	Sree Ramar Temple	TRC Affiliate	$1,000.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
16	Dr N R Govinden	Mathavi Literary Society	$508.00	TRC Scholarship Fund
17	Mr R Balan	Sembawang Tamil Sangam	$500.00	TRC Scholarship Fund

5 MEETINGS

In 2011, TRC held a total of 7 Management Council meetings and 4 Executive Committee meetings.

To enhance its Administrative and Financial functions the TRC Management Council had approved the formation of the TRC Executive Committee comprising of the key Office Bearers. The following members were elected to serve in the Executive Committee:-

1. Dr R Theyvendran — President
2. Mr S Vivakanandan — Deputy President
3. Mr V Pandiyan — General Secretary
4. Ms S Janagi — Dy Gen Secretary

5.	Mr S Tharmaraj	Dy Gen Secretary
6.	Mr Khader Sultan	Treasurer
7.	Mr Gouthaman Jayaraman	Asst Treasurer
8.	Mr M Kunaseakanan	Member
9.	Mr K Sathinathan	Member
10.	Ms Shoba Gunasekaran	Member

The terms of reference approved by the Management Council is appended in Annex 2 for reference.

After the last Annual General Meeting, TRC MC has been holding its meetings at the various Affiliates' premises. The objective being to create a closer rapport between TRC MC and the Affiliates and also allow Affiliate members to attend TRC MC meetings and participate in the discussions and give feedback. To date meetings have been held at SKML and Singai Tamil Sangam.

6 MEMBERSHIP / GIRO

Membership continued to grow although marginally. The focus was on increasing Life membership as it was more sustainable.

The following categories of membership are available:-

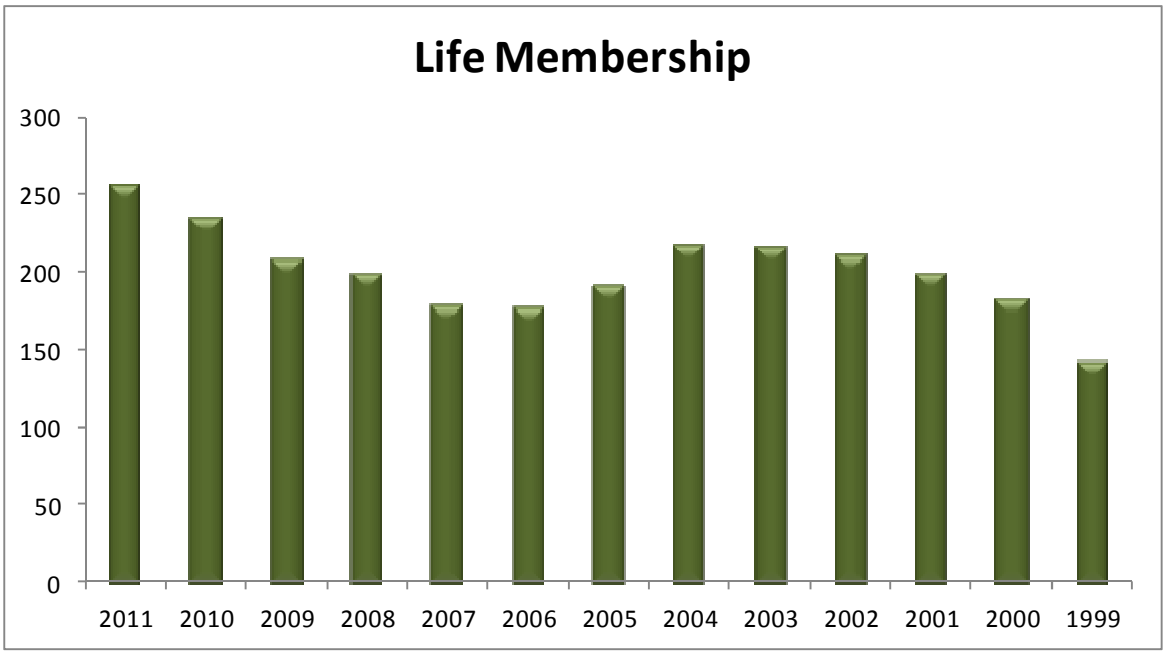
- Institutional Membership for organizations who wish to affiliate themselves with TRC;
- Life Membership for individuals who need only pay a onetime fee of $250.00;
- Ordinary Membership where individuals pay an annual fees of $24.00;
- Youth Membership at $5.00 per year for those below the age of 21;
- Associate Membership for an individual who does not qualify under the above categories; and
- Individual Life or Ordinary members can also make monthly contributions to support the activities of TRC and also in providing financial assistance to the needy.

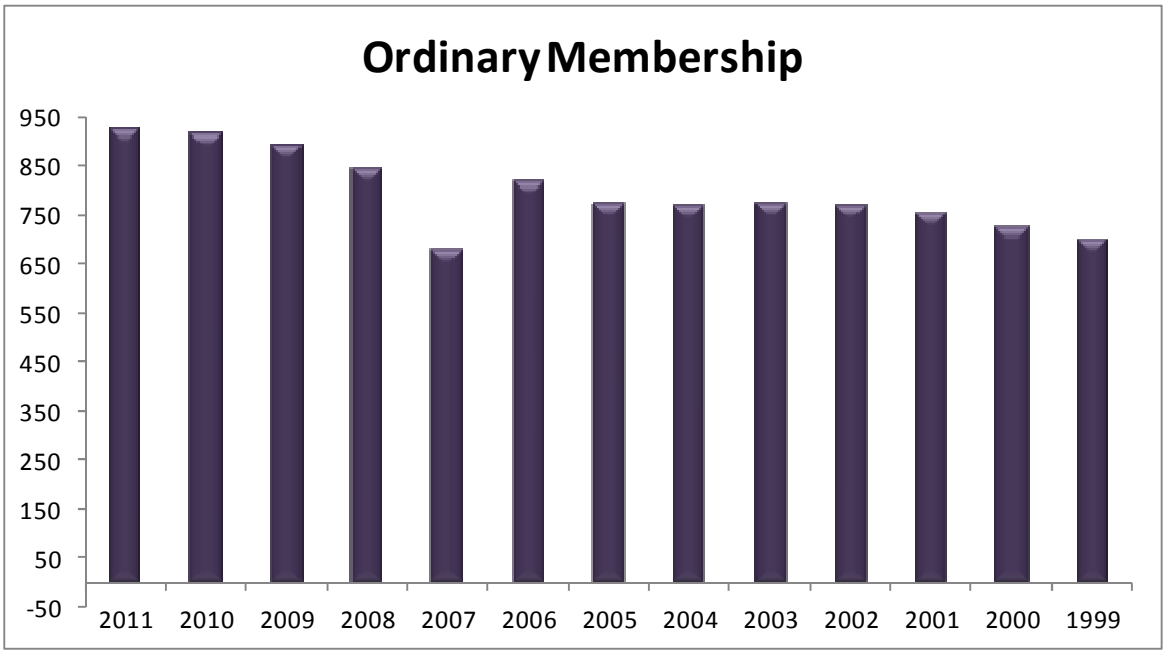
As at end 2011, our membership figures were as follows:-

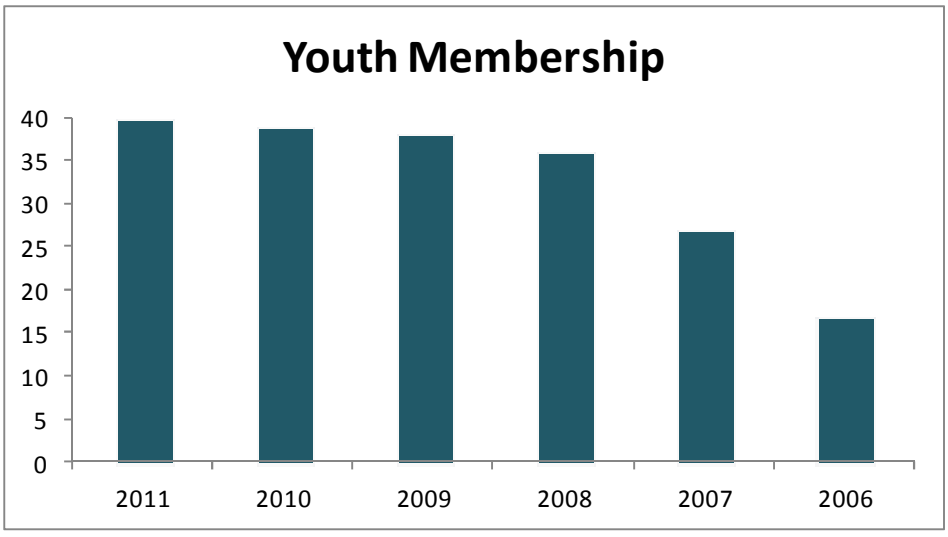
Life Membership:	256
Ordinary Membership:	925
Youth Membership:	40
Affiliate Organisations:	35

The appended data and graph shows the membership figures over the past 10 years. Efforts have been taken to re-check and confirm the figures from the records available to TRC.

Category	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Life	256	236	208	199	179	177	191	218	216	211	199	182	143
Ordinary	925	917	894	843	679	821	775	770	773	771	754	726	700
Youth	40	39	38	36	27	17	No Records Available						


Life Membership
300
250
200
150
100
50
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2011
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Ordinary Membership
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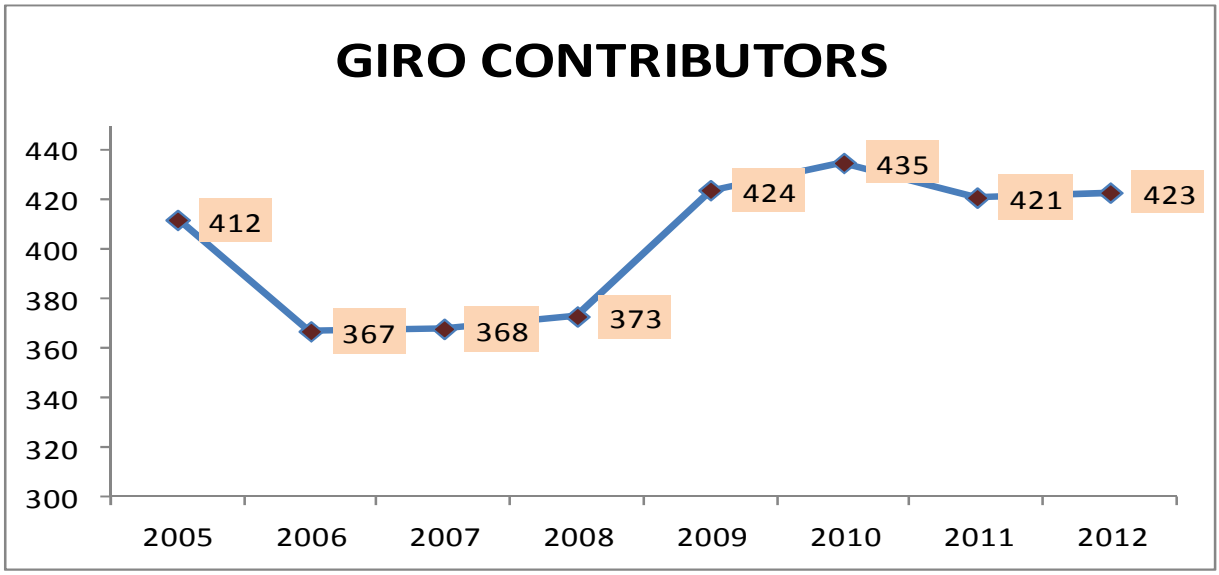

Youth Membership
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6.1 GIRO Contribution

TRC records its sincere appreciation and gratitude to all members who have been contributing through GIRO. Over the years these contributions have been a constant source of funding for TRC's administrative expenses and towards the various programmes organized by us. The list of contributors can be found in Annex 3 for reference.

The appended table and chart shows that GIRO contributions have remained constant for the past few years. Records on the number of GIRO contributors are only available from 2002 as the Management Committee has had to rebuild the records after year 2000.

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
421	421	419	412	367	368	373	424	435	421	423



7 AFFILIATES

As at December 2011 TRC had 37 organisations affiliated to it. Although some have been inactive for some time, many have been organizing a variety of activities to cater to a wide range of different age groups.

Affiliation of more organizations will go a long way in showing the unity of the Tamil community and through active interaction between the organizations; there are opportunities to do more for the community. Official records from the Registry of Societies show that there are more than 90 active organizations in Singapore. The challenge for TRC is to engage them and encourage them to affiliate with TRC. Only then can we claim to be truly representative of all Tamils.

The 1st TRC-Affiliates meeting for 2011 was held on 21st May 2011 at Ceylon Sports club. Around 50 representatives attended. Representatives had raised several issues including the following:-

- TRC to hold more meetings with the Affiliates on a regular basis and to hold the Delegates meeting quarterly.
- TRC Constitution to be in Tamil.
- TRC to continue to organize the Thamizhar Thirunal Festival.
- TRC to form a policy sub-committee to respond to National issues or issues that affect the Tamils quickly.

TRC welcomed all suggestions and promised to strive towards achieving them. Meetings with the Affiliates are being held regularly and efforts are underway to translate the Constitution into Tamil. As for holding the Thamizhar Thirunaal Festival, Mathavi Literary Society has been organizing this annually and TRC supports it rather than compete. On forming a policy sub-committee, currently leaders of the main Community Organisations (TRC, TLCS, STTU, Narpani) maintain close rapport and have an understanding on responding to issues that affect the Tamils.

TRC held its 2nd Affiliates meeting on 2nd November 2011 at SINDA. More than 60 representatives attended. CEO of SINDA was on hand to brief members on SINDA's programmes and vision for 2020.

The key issue discussed was for the Tamil Community to have a building of its own and representatives stated that TRC should take the lead in starting the preparatory work for this project. A number of affiliates promised to support and contribute significant amounts towards this. It was agreed that there should be more commitment forthcoming before the project could be embarked upon. What follow up has been done by MC should be listed.

7.1 Key Activities Organised by Affiliates

- The Singapore Tamil Writers Association for successfully organizing the 1st World Tamil Writers Conference from 28th to 30th October 2011 at the Republic Polytechnic. The main theme of the conference was ***Diaspora Tamil Literature: New Perspectives, New Paths***. The conference was well received with about 300 participants from various countries.

- The Singapore Kadayanallur Muslim League held its 60th anniversary with a gala dinner and a record setting event (longest saree in the world) in 2011.

- Mathavi Literary Society continued with its promotion of literary activities and student competitions.

- The Tamil Pattimandra Kazhagam holds the record for continuously organizing one pattimandram per month and has organized more than 50 such events.

- Sirpigal has held its quarterly book discussion in Tamil ever since it started its Reading Club in 2008. Sirpigal has worked with NLB to use this platform to promote Tamil reading. The books in discussion are chosen by NLB and written by local authors. The discussion had garnered the interest of both young and senior members of the Society and attracted even non-members.

TRC takes this opportunity to congratulate the above Affiliates and the other affiliates for their continued efforts and commitment towards the promotion of the Tamil language, Culture, Literature and the economic development of the Tamils.

8 TRC MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE SOCIETY

In reply to TRC's appeal on its action against the Board of Directors of the TRC Multi-Purpose Cooperative, Registrar of Cooperative Societies had replied 28th March 2011 as follows:

a. TRC is not legally an institutional member of TRC Cooperative.
b. TRC may only remove the directors whom it appointed.
c. The Cooperative AGM held on 24 July 2010 cannot be declared null and void.

The Management Council had appealed to the Registrar of Cooperative Societies on his ruling. However, we were not successful in our appeal. Currently Dr R Theyvendran and 2 former members are involved in an arbitration to settle the outstanding issues, which includes the accuracy of membership records. TRC wishes to state that this arbitration effort has been undertaken in their personal capacity. However, TRC supports the action taken by the members as any favorable outcome will benefit TRC.

Further, it is hoped that in the event arbitration is successful, TRC is willing and ready to play an active role in the affairs of TRC Multi-Purpose Cooperative and ensure that members' interest and funds are safeguarded.

9 APPRECIATION

The TRC Management Council will like to thank the following **Friends of TRC,** for their continued support and generous contributions towards TRC's programmes 2011.

- Lee Foundation
- Design Terminal Pte Ltd
- LISHA
- Management Development Institute of Singapore
- Media Corp News
- Mini Environment Services Pte Ltd
- Narpani Pearavai
- Oli 96.8
- SINDA
- Singapore Tamil Teachers Union
- Tamil Language Council
- Tamil Language Learning & Promotion Committee
- Tamil Murasu
- Telecoms Credit Cooperative
- Vasantham

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Pandiyan V
Gen. Secretary
For & on behalf of the TRC Management Council

[MAY YOU ALL BE BLESSED]

Annex 1

TRC PRESIDENT'S SPEECH AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 16TH JULY 2011

Good evening to everyone present.

Thank you so much for making the time to be a part of your TRC's annual general meeting.

2010 was a good year for TRC except where the TRC COOP issue in concerned but I will get to that later.

EVENTS

We had a number of events as well as fund raising events that TRC was involved in purely for the sake of the Tamil community.

The roaring success of the Tamil Murasu's 75th Anniversary celebration was one such event.

A fringe few after all these years of my honest, sincere service ask, what has TRC done? What has Chairman, Theyvendran done?

Most of you here know the truth and believe in me and in TRC but if unchallenged, an untruth will become the truth and today I must set the record straight for the sake of posterity.

HOW I BECAME PART OF TRC

I became the President of TRC in 2000. It was late one night at about 10.30 p.m when I was asked by someone who I thought was a friend to come and HELP!

I didn't know at that time, that this person with others had been strongly advised by the Government that morning to stay out of Tamil organizations. No one told me.

The people who were there are still here now. Elango, Balan, Krishnasamy, Mashuthoo, Amallathasan and Andeappan and they will tell you that this is the truth.

He said that as I was a successful businessman, I should help the Tamil Community. I said I did not know much Tamil. My nature is always to help and to fight evil. I was persuaded to agree to be the President and I accepted on condition that I will only stay for one year and that Nirumalan will be Secretary. However, Nirumalan could not be contacted when elections of TRC was called.

MATHIALAGAN'S CASE

Immediately, after we won the AGM, we were continuously attacked at Board Meetings.

In 2002, a case was taken against TRC. It was not TRC which took a case against Mathialagan.

In Court, I tried to offer $4000 of my personal monies to settle the case, I even increased the offer to $17,000 of my own personal monies. (Ask Pandiyan) But they refused to settle. They wanted $44,000 to settle. I am sure you will agree with me that it is not fair to me to have to pay $44,000 to settle the matter.

Eventually, TRC won the case and was awarded costs, but the member, a taxi driver eventually was declared a bankrupt and TRC has been unable to recover the monies involved in the case.
TRC would have by now a million dollars in reserves, if we had recovered this cost. Now we are still financially healthy and our finances are standing at $600,000.

The fringe few continue to distort and tarnish the facts about this case.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Respectability Of Trc

Since then, many people have come forward to join TRC as Council Members, to contribute to the Tamil cause in Singapore and to help give Tamils and TRC, a more respectable position in the eyes of the authorities. Success brings more success. Good people bring together more good people.

Many grassroots leaders, like Bala, Balan, N.R. Govinden, Mashuthoo, Kuna and Pandiyan continue in their tireless and sometimes thankless work at TRC. New leaders like Viva, Goutham, and Rajid have also come forward. Another lawyer has also joined the Council together with Mr Sathiananthan.

Engaging Youth

TRC has engage young people who are excelling in their personal work, like Shoba, Tharmaraj, Ruby, Janagi and Sathinathan continue to give their time and personal contributions to TRC.

Feedback And Representations

Getting feedback at the right time and in the right way and of maintaining the goodwill between the many Tamil and Indian organizations of Singapore and making representations to the Authorities has been the hallmark of TRC.

TRC has been called upon a number of times to represent the Tamils and present the Tamil perspective to the government. TRC has been called upon to host events and a major national event.

Many people have come forward and since most people have faith in me, I was urged to carry on as President.

When TRC was undergoing such difficult times no one came forward to be President. I have been looking for successors for some time now and I have now found them. I have brought in the next generation of leaders. They are learning, contributing and will take on the helm at the right time.

Two years ago, I convinced Viva to join TRC in the hope that he would eventually take over as President. I thank him for accepting. He has got that poise and standing that will enable him to work with the community and the authorities but he must be wary of this fringe few whose only goal is enjoying trouble. I am looking forward to handing over as soon as soon as the TRC COOP matter is resolved but I will not be pushed.

MY CONTRIBUTIONS

In the last ten years as President, my contributions have been many. Unfortunately, I have not gone around telling people about what I do for TRC and the Tamil community but now I have no choice but to share this with you.

I have fixed many Tamil people in jobs, especially young people whose parents have contributed to the Tamil cause in Singapore in the hope that they too will one day contribute back.

Financial Trouble

I have personally helped many Tamils because I am also Chairman of TCC out of their financial trouble by showing them a way forward. Many have come to me with huge credit card debts. There is no need for me to help them, but I have done so, because they are Tamils and because helping them means helping the Tamil cause in Singapore.

I have helped many Tamil businessman, book writers, and organizations, all on a personal level, in the name of TRC and given financial support.

Publication

The magazine Singapore Sudar, voice of the Tamil community cost me personally more than $200,000. I have yet to recover the debts from this cause to the Tamil voice.

Donations

I have been asked to help in fund raising and raised more than $1.1 million to the Sarangapany Trust Fund. I, myself have donated more than $300,000 and $100,000 to SIET Trust to help needy Primary School Children and also for events hosted by many affiliates and for the Tamil cause.

Scholarships And Bursaries

TRC still continues to give out Scholarships and Bursaries which was done jointly with TRC Co-op. until 2009 when TRC Co-op. went on its own.

Excellence Awards

We work with MOE to extend Excellence awards to those Tamil students who excelled in PSLE.

Study At Mdis

Children and members of TRC are given discounts to study at MDIS and also scholarships.

Annual Recognition

Annual recognition is given to leaders who have contributed to the Tamil cause. Chandra Das, Chandroo and Abdul Jaleel were the first three.

Tamil Forums

Tamil Forums described as one of the best events is organized annually to promote Tamil amongst school children. Prizes of $20/- each is given to the best 20 questions in Tamil. This amount is donated by me personally.

Best Tamil Teacher's Award

TRC was the first to support the Best Tamil Teacher's Award initiated by Tamil Murasu. TRC still continues to do so.

Linkages

TRC continues to maintain excellent linkages with SINDA and Naparni. Joint activities with SINDA is being organized.

Statue Of Thiruvalluvar

Everyone has been talking about a statue of Thiruvalluvar in Singapore. Nothing happened for years. There is now a statue of Thiruvalluvar in Singapore. I have brought in Thiruvallur in MDIS together with nine other famous educationalists. Thiruvallur is sitting in the centre – go to MDIS and take a look and be proud to be part of the Tamil community in Singapore.

Film Show

TRC successfully raised $130,000/- in one year from a film show attended by President S. R. Nathan.

THE FRINGE FEW

Where were the fringe few all these years? Where were the fringe few?
I quote from Winston Churchill, "So you have enemies? Good. That means you have stood up for something in your life."

I have stood up for good things in my life and I will continue to stand up for the things I believe in. I am forthright and sincere and I have nothing to fear.

The fringe few who continues to be destructive will always be destructive and will eventually destroy their own lives. Lately, two who went against me, died in tragic circumstances. We must also not let them destroy the good work that we have done for the community.

Let them carry on – some, like Maniam who was at that time on TRC Board when the losses were about $800,000 before I took over have even defamed me that I have created a rot in TRC. I will know what to do at the right time.

Now, that TRC is doing well and has respectability, there are some people who will rise out of nowhere to milk the opportunity when everything is stable and harmonious. They do not know how to create progress in their organizations, they only destroy. In fact, all their track records reveal a host of companies going burst and a number of resignations in public office speaks for itself.

TRC COOP

To truly understand the problem at TRC COOP today, we must look at the history of TRC COOP.

TRC COOP was begun as a financial arm to TRC in 1994 by G Kandasamy and a number of TRC leaders. I was one of the leaders and a founding member of TRC COOP. Chandroo, Balan, N R Govinden are some of the founding members. We put in the initial monies to start the Co-operative led by G. Kandasamy, the then Chairman.

With the goodwill of TRC and the support of the Tamil community under the umbrella of TRC, TRC COOP took root and grew. It went through some turbulent years in the late 1990s and I took over as President in 2000. We brought down the number of bad debts and set the organization on the right track.

R A Nathan, unfortunately my brother was then a TRC appointed director to TRC COOP. He was with me on the Board, first as Director, as well as Chairman, Admin and Loan Default Committee and as Treasurer.

As I was holding offices in too many places, Moganaruban initiated the move to hand over the leadership and also change TRC's representation from 8 to 3 and change the need for TRC to appoint the Chairman. I handed TRC COOP to him at a very smooth AGM in 2003 with the financial house in order. This was a hind sight the greatest mistake.

For one year, the relationship between TRC and TRC COOP continued. The next year, power must have got into his head. He began to ridicule TRC appointed Board Directors, Balan the late, N S Kumar and Ruby were all ridiculed by him. He questioned the linkage between TRC and TRC COOP like a child asking what the linkage between him and his parents were or like NTUC Co-op's asking what has the parent body NTUC to do with it?

He betrayed his brother and his best friend of four decades and the organization that put him in TRC COOP in the first place. He has betrayed the Tamil cause.

Because of his treatment of TRC and TRC appointees to the Board, I myself became a TRC appointee in 2009 and sat on the Board. He continued his efforts to delink the two organizations with a fringe number of new Board Directors who did not know the linkage.

On 19th June 2010, TRC COOP called for an EOGM to amend the by-laws which was not necessary. A proposal to TRC COOP that the number of TRC appointees should be amended back to 8 representatives instead of 3 as it was previously. 88 members signed this resolution. Moganaruban was one such member.
Three days before the EOGM, R A Nathan sent a letter to Moganaruban terminating his membership without notice and without Natural Justice being applied on him. This was not a decision approved by the Board.

This matter is now in the High Courts. Mogan has won one round of the matter and the matter goes for a final hearing. The betrayal of a friend of more than 40 decades. R A Nathan appeared to be afraid that members would support Moganaruban if he spoke at the EOGM on the proposal to strengthen the link between the two organizations.
Indeed, our members 'support at this AGM was more in our favour.
Because of this action, there was chaos at the EOGM. Former Chairman of TRC COOP, Mr Gopalan Krishnan called for an adjournment of the EOGM for one month till matters were resolved in a month. This proposal was supported by me and others and the EOGM was deferred.

On 7th July 2011, a Board meeting was held at which R A Nathan as anticipated submitted 14 membership forms to be approved by the Board. R.A. Nathan said these new members had voting rights, we then handed in 56 forms. R A Nathan refused to admit these 56 new members. Ultimately, it was agreed that both sides would withdraw the forms and the members as at that date would be allowed to attend and vote at the AGM. What was the fear?

AGM – 24TH JULY 2010 – AMICABLE SETTLEMENT'

TRC and the members of TRC had tried in so many ways to compromise with the TRC Co-op leadership. They even met with Mogan in Dec 2009 to find a way forward. V Bala who sits on both committees will attest to the efforts of the conciliation to find an amicable solution. But we have been made use of and insulted.
128 members signed a resolution for an independent chairman to conduct the AGM to be held on 24th July 2010 but there was no response from R A Nathan.

On 23rd July 2010, R A Nathan was removed as Chairman of TRC COOP by TRC according to the TRC COOP BY Law 6.4.1 (d) which reads "6.4.1 A member of the Board of Directors shall cease to hold office if he is removed by a general meeting or the Tamils Representative Council, as the case may be;

On 24th July 2010, members were only allowed to attend the AGM if they signed an undertaking that R A Nathan was the Chairman of TRC COOP and Chairman of the AGM. This is ultra vires and members who knew their rights refused to sign the undertaking to attend a meeting that they had a right to attend. There is a case law of even one member nullifying an AGM because he was not allowed to vote.

More than a 100 members including me as Chairman of TRC were physically prevented from entering the meeting venue.

R. Kalaichelvan, a Board Director of TRC COOP is now facing charges for assaulting an elderly stroke patient and two ladies to prevent them from attending the AGM. He claims all these charges are not true.

I assure you, that if honest elections were held in TRC Co-op. today without any manipulation, TRC would take over the TRC Co-op. back again. And if rightful TRC COOP members, members approved by the legal Board before 7th July 2010, do not want us at the helm, then I assure you we will step aside.

We are currently awaiting arbitration proceedings by the offices of G Raman which will be held later this month. We will see what the outcome is.

THE FUTURE

TRC is now stable, it has grown from 17 affiliates to 35 affiliates. It is still growing. It has gained respectability with the powers that be and I know this to be so because of the sincere personal letters that they write me. And as members, we will never allow anybody to split TRC no matter how much a fringe few try.

I have so much to do – I could have been the President of Singapore Indian Chamber and Commerce but I refused. I can't be everywhere.

I assure you that once the TRC Co-op matter is settled one way or the other. I will hand over my leadership smoothly so that the Tamil community in Singapore will continue to prosper under the umbrella of TRC.

The investment of our time, our money and our efforts will not go to waste and will not be destroyed by these very fringe few. TRC will stand tall. Our national leaders will continue to recognize us. We can always be proud of what we stand for.

And when the fringe few indulge in their destructive ways, ask them… ask them, what have they done for TRC? What have they done for the Tamil community in Singapore? Do they at least contribute $5 or $10 every month to TRC? No, they talk, they talk and they continue talking.
They continue in their destructive ways of writing anonymous poison letters, of betraying friends, brothers and the community.

I respect people like Rama of LISHA. I respect people like Thiru and Bala, who talk to me openly. I respect sincere members like you who are here to make TRC grow.

How many of them stand up in their own right? I will stand firm in my own right – right is right – wrong is wrong.

TRC Co-op was set up as a financial arm and affiliates of TRC only pay $100/- annually but some take back as donations of more than $500/-.

Finally, let me end with the following words:

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in the moments of convenience and comfort but where he stands in times of challenges and controversy."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Thank you ladies and gentlemen. Your presence here shows to the fringe few that we will stand up to them. Let us be united for the sake of Tamils and our children. I am a Tamilian – and I will continue to be a Tamilian despite my riches, despite my powers and the high office I hold.

Every where I am involved – I ONLY BUILD AND GROW.

Good evening.

Annex 2

TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF TRC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
August 2011 – June 2013

To enhance its Administrative and Financial functions the TRC Management Council has approved the formation of the TRC Executive Committee comprising of the key Office Bearers. The Executive Committee's conduct, roles and responsibilities are:-

1. Reporting

The TRC Executive Committee reports to the TRC's Management Council

2. Term of Office

The Executive Committee's term of office shall coincide with that of the TRC Management Council.

3. Members

The President, Deputy President, General Secretary and Treasurer shall be members of the Executive Committee and shall be automatically as members of the Executive Committee after the Annual General Meeting.

The President may in consultation and approval of the Management Council appoint any other member of the Management Council to the Executive Committee.

The President may invite any person to the Executive Committee Meeting to provide his or her expert advice or guidance. Such persons shall not have any voting rights or any other privileges accorded to the Executive Committee Members.

4. Voting

A simple majority shall decide all matters. Each Member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible to vote on all matters before the Committee. In the event of a tie, the President shall have a casting vote.

5. Meetings

The General Secretary shall convene all Executive Committee Meetings in consultation with the President. The meetings shall be held as and when necessary. No meetings of the Executive Committee shall be convened without the approval of the President.

6. Chair

The President or in his absence, the Deputy President shall chair all meetings. The Secretary or Treasurer may chair the meeting in the event that both President and Deputy President are unavailable.

7. Quorum

The quorum for all Executive Committee Meetings shall be 50% of the total composition of the Executive Committee. At least 2 from the President, Deputy President, General Secretary or Treasurer shall be present at all Executive Committee meetings.

8. Attendance

All members shall endeavor to attend all the Executive Meetings as practicable. The Gen. Secretary shall keep an attendance register.

9. Minutes

The Gen Secretary shall keep all minutes. The Chairperson must approve all minutes. The minutes shall be circulated to the TRC Management Council.

10. Terms of Reference

The TRC Executive Committee will:

- Provide overall strategic direction to Management and approve policies and detailed strategies for TRC. Such policies and strategies must be ratified by TRC's Management Council.

- Review and monitor the financial performance and progress of TRC;

- Oversee the business and affairs of TRC and monitor the performance of Management against pre-agreed targets.

- Assume full responsibility for the corporate governance framework of TRC and provide oversight in the proper conduct of TRC's business.

11. The Executive Committee is authorized to exercise all the powers of the Management Council, except those which the Management Council may only exercise by law or which the Management Council has expressly reserved for itself.

12. All decisions taken by the Executive Committee shall be presented at the Management Council meeting for approval and adoption.

Annex 3

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5	A. VISVANATHAN	216	P.KESAVAN
6	A.F. SAIVIRE	217	P.LOGANATHAN
7	A.GARUNATHAN	218	P.MENON
8	A.J.DEVI	219	P.RACHANDRAN
9	A.JOHN PETER	220	P.SINNADORAI
10	A.K.RAJAN	221	P.SUBRAMANIAM
11	A.MAJEED	222	P.T.SELVAM
12	A.MATHIYALAGAN	223	P.VEMBAYAN
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17	AMURTHALINGAM SUBRAMANIAM	228	R GOPALAKRISHNAN
18	AMUTHA D/O MURIGASIN	229	R KONASHAKARAN
19	ANAND ARIYARATHINAM	230	R P M PILLAI
20	ANANDA GANESH S/O SIVANANDAM	231	R RAJENDRAN
21	ANANTHAM S/O NADESAN	232	R RANI
22	ANTHONY SAMY S/O GNANAVARAYAN	233	R S S RANYNATHAN
23	ANTHUAN SHANDAS	234	R SAMUEL
24	ANUSUYA D/O S.P.	235	R SELVENDRAN
25	ARASAPAM ADIAPPAN	236	R SUNDRUM
26	AZHAGIYAPANDIYAN S/O DURAISWAMY	237	R THANARAJOO
27	B PADHMANABBAN	238	R THEYVENDRAN
28	BALA KRISHNAN	239	R UGRESUNNO
29	BALASINGAM SHANMUGATHAASAN	240	R. H. CHANDRA
30	BALASUBRAMANIAM S/O APPAVU	241	R. MOHANADASS
31	BALU VISVANATHAN	242	R. NAGARA
32	BRINDHA D/O KUNASEKARAN	243	R. S. RAMAIYAN
33	C CHELLAN	244	R. SUKUMARAN
34	C. R. RAMASAMY	245	R. VEERASAMY

35	C.M.A BANGAR	246	R.A. LAZAR
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38	D.SENBAGAMARAN	249	R.G.JAYARAM
39	DINAKARAN S/O SANGARAN	250	R.G.NATHAN
40	DORY S/O PANDIAN K	251	R.ILANGOVAN
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44	G ARUMUGAM	255	R.MANOHAR
45	G INDRIANI	256	R.P.T.SUNDRAM
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47	G RAJENDRAM	258	R.S.PANDIAN
48	G RAVEENDRAN	259	R.TAMILSELVOM
49	G SELVARAJ	260	R.V.RAJOO
50	G TECHNAMOORHTY MR	261	R.VIMALA
51	G U SURIAN	262	RAJAKUMAR S/O A S MANIAM
52	G V PATHMANATHAN	263	RAJAKUMAR S/O CHANDRA
53	G. SELVARAJU	264	RAJALAXIMI GURUSAMY
54	G.G. KATHAMUTHU	265	RAJARATANAM S/O VELU NADASAN
55	G.K.MARAGATHAVALLI	266	RAJESWARI D/O CHINNIAH RAJU
56	G.NADESAN	267	RAJESWARI D/O V SUPPIAH
57	G.R . PRAKASARAO	268	RAMAKRISHNAN S/O S KUPPUSAMY
58	G.S.DORAI	269	RAMAN JATHU RAJAMMAH
59	G.SUPPIAH	270	RAMASAMY S/O K.SUPPIAH
60	G.V.KUMARAN	271	RAMASAMY THEVAR
61	GAJENDRAN VYAPURI	272	RAMESH S/O GANESON
62	GANDARUBAN GANTHA RUBY	273	RAMESON THEYVENDRAN
63	GODANAIKU S/O BONOA	274	RASA SEGAR S/O V N V
64	GOUTHAMAN S/O JAYARAM	275	RAVISHNTIRAN S/O PALAN
65	GOVINDASAMY RAJANDRAN	276	RENGANATHAN JAYENDRAN
66	GOVINDEN S/O N RAMIAH	277	RETNAM BALA
67	HABIBA HAMEED	278	S A ABDULLAH
68	I. SELVARAJU	279	S A V THAMAYANTHI
69	ILANGOVAN S/O KRISHNAMOORTHI	280	S ADEIKALAM
70	ILLAMARAN THAMIZHKKOTHAI	281	S ARUMUGAM
71	J SEGARAN	282	S KALIYANI

72	J Y PILLAY	283	S KRISHNAN
73	J.V. KOLANDAIVELU	284	S KUMARASAMY
74	JAGANATHAN S/O GOPALAKRISHNAN	285	S LEELA
75	JAMUNA RANI GOVINDARAJU	286	S MARUTHU
76	JAYAKUMAR	287	S MOGANARUBAN
77	JAYAKUMAR S/O POOMI NATHAN	288	S NADESAN
78	JAYARAM GANAPATHY	289	S P KANNAN
79	JELLAYAN SOLAIMALAI	290	S P VEERIAH
80	JEYAKUMAR S/O R DHARMALINGAM	291	S PALAKRISNAN
81	JOHN K.GOVINDASAMY	292	S RAJESWARI
82	JOSEPH JOHN MR	293	S RAMAN
83	K ARUL	294	S RENGASAMY
84	K JAYRAM	295	S SATHIYANITHI
85	K K VELAAYUDAN	296	S SOLAI
86	K KALIDASS	297	S SUPPAIYAH
87	K KANTHIRATHEVI	298	S THARMARAJ
88	K KATHAMUTHU	299	S V BAGTHA
89	K M KUMAR	300	S VIVAKANANDAN
90	K MADASAMY	301	S. MUTHIAH
91	K MADHAVAN	302	S. NADAISON
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107	K.JEGADHESWARAN	318	S.KRISHNAMUTHI
108	K.KESAVAPANY	319	S.LAKSHMANAN
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115	K.RAJENDRAN	326	S.S.M.MANICKAM
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127	KHADER SULTAN S/O ISMAIL	338	SANTHA D/O DHARAN
128	KTS BALA NAIDU	339	SAROJALA D/O THAMYNATHAN
129	L.ANBALAGAN	340	SASIDHARAN S/O KRISHNAN
130	L.P. CHANDRAN	341	SELVI D/O THEVATHAS
131	LAKSHMANAN	342	SEVAKERDASAN S/O RATNAM
132	LALITHA D/O RAMASAMY	343	SHAREEF BIN ABDUL JAFFAR
133	LALITHA K NAIR	344	SHIVAKKUMAR
134	LATHIRA GUNASAGARAN	345	SHOBA GUNASEKARAN
135	LAVANESVARAN S/O K	346	SIMSON P SEBASTIAN
136	LOGANATHAN S/O K.	347	SINGAYA KARUPPIAH
137	M DAIRIANATHAN MRS	348	SINNIAH S/O MUNIANDY K.K
138	M KRISHNAN	349	SIVA RUBAN
139	M MANICKAM	350	SIVAGNANAM RAJENDRAM
140	M MUTHU	351	SIVAKADACHAM
141	M NACHIAPPAN	352	STEPHEN SUNDARRAJ
142	M PERUMAL	353	SUBBUTHAYEE
143	M R MURALLI	354	SUBHALAKSHMI D/O LAKSMANAN
144	M RAJARAM	355	SUBRAMANIAM S/O KALIMUTHU
145	M RAVINDARAN	356	SUGANATHAN
146	M. RAMASAMY	357	SUGUMARAN S/O SUBRAMANYAM
147	M. SUPAYA	358	SUKUMARAN A. NAIR

148	M. SUPRAMANIAM	359	SUKUMARAN KARUPPIAH
149	M.A.APPAS	360	SUPALETCHUMI D/O SUPPIAH
150	M.ABDUL	361	SUPPIAH PILLAI SIVAMANI
151	M.GOBINATH	362	SUPPIAH UTHAMAN
152	M.GUNABALAN	363	SURANDRAN S/O ARUMUGAM
153	M.ISMAIL	364	SURESH S/O CHELEBONRAS
154	M.JAMUNARANI	365	SUSILA GANESAN
155	M.JAYAKUMAR	366	T SATHIVEL MR
156	M.JAYAMANI	367	T SUBRAMANIAM
157	M.KRISHNASWAMY	368	T THAVARANI
158	M.KUNASEAKANAN	369	T UMADEVI
159	M.LOUIS	370	T. CHELVEN
160	M.M.K. MARIMUTHU	371	T. POOPATHEY
161	M.MUTHU	372	T.AGASTHIAN
162	M.R.MOHAN	373	T.GANAPATHY
163	M.SIVANATHAN	374	T.HARIDAS
164	M.SUTHUSAMY	375	T.R.CHANDRA
165	M.T.KUNASEGARAN	376	TAMILCHELVI D/O S V CHOKKALINGAM
166	M.TAMILVANI	377	TAMILSELVI D/O K PERIYIAH
167	M.VEMAL	378	TANAHGOBAR S/O RAMALINGAM
168	MAGESWARI D/O KURUPATHAM	379	TANGAVELU
169	MAHENDRAN S/O E S	380	TEVA RAJ S/O PALANISAMY
170	MALAI ARASI D/O SRINIVASAN	381	THANGAPERAKASAN A WILSON
171	MANGALAGOWRI D/O ARUMUGAM	382	THIRUSELVI D/O RAJAGOPAL
172	MANGAYAKARASI	383	TIRUSELVAN
173	MANIAM	384	U MAKALINGAM
174	MARIAM BIVI	385	UTHIRAPADHI POPATHI
175	MARIAMAL D/O ODAIAPPAN	386	V KALAISELVAN
176	MARIMUTHU PASKARAN	387	V KANNAN P C
177	MASHUTHOO A R	388	V KRISHNAN
178	MASILAMANI ANBALAGAN	389	V KRISHNASAMY
179	MOHAMED SYED KADER MOHIDEEN	390	V PRASAD
180	MOORHTY VADIVELLU	391	V RAMACHANDRAN
181	N B ABDULLAH	392	V SOURIRAJALU
182	N KAMCHE	393	V THIRUCHELVAM
183	N P RAMACHANDRAN	394	V. KRISHNASAMY
184	N POOBALAN NAIDU	395	V. N. TANGAVELU

185	N PRAGALATHAN	396	V.A.ANTHONY
186	N RAMASAMY	397	V.BALAKRISHNAN
187	N S DEVI	398	V.K.KUNESEELEN
188	N THANALECHIMI GOPAL MRS	399	V.KUPPUSAMY
189	N VIJYA KUMAR	400	V.MUTHAIYA
190	N. JAYAKUMAR	401	V.P.M.LINGAM
191	N. KANAGAVIJAYAN	402	V.PALAYA
192	N. VEERASINGAM	403	V.SANTHAI
193	N.B.KRISHNAN	404	V.SARAWATHY
194	N.G.HARIDAS	405	V.SOMO
195	N.KANNIGADEVI	406	V.SOMU
196	N.RAMASAMY	407	VADIVELU CHINNAYYA
197	N.S.ANBUALAGAN	408	VANITHA D/O MARATHANAYAGAM
198	N.SANTHI	409	VASUNDHARADEVI V REDDY
199	N.SIVANANDAN	410	VEERAGOO SUPPIAH
200	NADARASAN S/O RAMASWAMY	411	VEERAPPAN RAJU
201	NATARAJAN VARAPRASAD	412	VEERAPUTHIRAN S/O RAJOO
202	O.SUPPIAH	413	VEERASAMY KUNASEKHARAN
203	P H MUSTHAFA	414	VEERASAMY THANALETCHMI MISS
204	P KARUPPIAH	415	VELLAPA DORAISAMY
205	P MUTHAIAH	416	VIJAKUMAR S
206	P NOVEM	417	VIJAYAKUMAR S/O S ANANDAVADIVALE
207	P P SUKUMARAN	418	VIJAYALEKSHMI D/O MARIAPPAN
208	P RENGASAMY	419	YOGESWARI D/O CHANDRASEKARAN
209	P SENTHILNATHAN	420	Z.PAUL
210	P U GOVINDARAJOO	421	ZAITOON BEEVI BTEMEERAH SAHIB ABU BASKAR
211	P. PIMMAVAMAM		

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LIST OF OFFICE BEARERS

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Position held	
President	Dr R Theyvendran PBM
Deputy President	Mr S Vivakanandan
Vice-President	Mr V Balakrishnan Mr R Balan Dr N R Govinden PBM BBM, Mr A R Mashuthoo
General Secretary	Mr Pandiyan Vellasami PB, PBS
Deputy General Secretary	Ms Janagi Somu, Mr.S Tharmaraj
Treasurer	Mr Khader Sultan
Asst. Treasurer	Mr Gouthaman Jayaram
Council Members	Mr M Kunaseakanan PB PBS Ms Shoba Gunasekaran Mr Shareef Bin Abdul Jaffar PBS (Polis) Mr Ramaiyah Pillai Thangasundram Mr K Sathinathan PBM Mr V Kalaichelvam Mr Mahadevan Lukshumayeh Mr Raja Mohamad Bin Maiden Ms Thiruselvi d/o Rajagopal Mr Yousuf Rowther Rajid Ahamed
Auditors	MGI N Rajan Associates Certified Public Accountants, Singapore, 10 Jalan Besar, #10-12 Sim Lim Tower Singapore 208787.
Registered office	101, Balestier Road Singapore- 329678

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TAMILS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
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STATEMENT 0F THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The committee members duly authorized by the **TAMILS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL** hereby state that in the opinion of the management committee, the accompanying balance sheet, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flow together with the notes thereto are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the **TAMILS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL** as at **31 December 2011** and of its results for the year then ended.

On behalf of Tamils Representative Council

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Dr R Theyvendran PBM
President

.....

Pandiyan s/o Vellasami
Secretary

.....

Khader Sultan
Treasurer

Singapore
Dated: 30 MAY 2012

MGI N RAJAN ASSOCIATES
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF TAMILS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

(Registered in the Republic of Singapore as a Society under the Societies Act)

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **TAMILS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ("the Society")** which comprise the balance sheet as at **31 December 2011** , statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended , and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards and the Societies Act, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to present fairly, in all material respects, the state of affairs of the Society as at **31 December 2011** and the results, changes in funds and cash flows of the Society for the year ended on that date.

Other matter

The financial statements for the year ended **31 December 2010** were audited by another firm of auditors, whose report dated **12 May 2011** expressed an unqualified opinion.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion , the accounting and other records required by the regulations enacted under the Societies Act to be kept by the Society have been properly kept in accordance with those regulations; and

MGI N RAJAN ASSOCIATES
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

SINGAPORE:
DATE: 30 MAY 2012

TAMILS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Note	2011 S$	2010 S$
ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES			
Current Assets			
Cash and Bank balances	3	563,866	596,444
Other receivables	4	33,506	9,760
Due from a related party	5	4,426	4,426
TOTAL ASSETS		**601,798**	**610,630**
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Funds			
General fund	6	595,564	582,999
Kandasamy trust fund		2,134	2,134
		597,698	**585,133**
Current Liability			
Accruals		4,100	25,345
Provision for income tax	7	-	152
		4,100	**25,497**
TOTAL FUNDS AND LIABILITIES		**601,798**	**610,630**

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	NOTE	2011	2010
Incoming Resources	8	S$	S$
Restricted general fund			
Unrestricted general fund		100,943	452,543
Other incoming fund		24,542	1,873
Total incoming fund		**125,485**	**454,416**
Resources Expanded	8		
Cost of generating voluntary income		64,690	281,085
Governance costs	10	48,230	57,384
Total resources expanded		**112,920**	**338,469**
Net incoming resources		12,565	115,947
Less: Tax Expense	7	-	(63)
Total funds carried forward		**12,565**	**115,884**

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Restricted general funds S$	Unrestricted general funds S$	Total S$
Balance as at 1 January 2010	2,134	467,115	469,249
Total Comprehensive Income	-	115,884	115,884
Balance at 31 December 2010	2,134	582,999	585,133
Total Comprehensive Income	-	12,565	12,565
Balance as at 31 December 2011	**2,134**	**595,564**	**597,698**

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	NOTE	2011 S$	2010 S$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net surplus for the year before tax		**12,565**	**115,947**
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation		-	795
Interest income	**8**	(2,783)	(1,477)
Operating profit before working capital changes		**9,782**	**115,265**
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
(Increase)/decrease in operating receivables		(23,746)	480
Increase/(decrease) in operating payables		(21,245)	8,919
Cash generated from operating activities		**(35,209)**	**124,664**
Income tax paid	**7**	(152)	-
Net cash (used in) operating activities		**(35,361)**	**124,664**
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest income		2,783	1,477
Net cash generated from investing activities		**2,783**	**1,477**
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		**(32,578)**	**126,141**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		596,444	470,303
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	**3**	**563,866**	**596,444**

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

1. SOCIETY INFORMATION

The Society is registered under the Societies Act to promote , encourage, enhance, upgrade and improve the performance of the members and the community by organising social , educational and recreational activities.

The affairs of the Society is administered by the Management Council in accordance with the provision of the constitution of the society and provisions of the Societies Act. The financial statements of the Society are expressed in Singapore dollars.

The registered office of the Society is at 101, Balestier Road, Singapore 329678.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost conventions and in accordance with the Societies Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

The preparation of these financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the society's accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. The society has assessed that there are no estimates or judgements used that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

In the current financial year, the society has adopted all the new and revised FRSs and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRS") that are relevant to its operations and effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2011. The adoption of these new / revised FRSs and INT FRSs does not result in changes to the society's accounting policies and has no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior years.

2.2 PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

a) Measurement

All items of plant and equipment are initially recognized at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

(i) Components of costs

The cost of an item of Plant and equipment includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by the management. The projected cost of dismantlement, removal or restoration is also included as a part of the cost of the Plant and equipment if the obligation for the dismantlement, removal or restoration is incurred as a consequence of acquiring or using the asset.

2.2 PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (continued)

b) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Furniture and Fittings	-	10 years
Office equipment	-	10 years
Computer	-	3 years

Full depreciation is provided in the year of the purchase and no depreciation is provided in the year of disposal.

c) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure relating to Plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. Other subsequent expenditure is recognized as repairs and maintenance expense in the income statement during the financial year in which it is incurred.

d) Disposal

On disposal of Plant and equipment, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and carrying amount is taken to the income statement. Any revaluation reserve relating to that asset is transferred to retained earnings directly.

2.3 FINANCIAL ASSETS

(a) Classification

The Society classifies its financial assets as loans and receivables. The classification depends on the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at every reporting date.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except those maturing later than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are classified within "Other receivables" and "cash and cash equivalents" on the balance sheet.

(b) Initial measurement

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs.

(c) ***Subsequent measurement***

Loans and receivables are carried at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

2.3) FINANCIAL ASSETS (continued)

d) Impairment

The Society assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a company of financial assets is impaired.

(i) Loans and receivables

An allowance for impairment of loans and receivables, including trade and other receivables, is recognized when there is objective evidence that the Society will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganization, and default or delinquency in payments are considered indicators that the receivable is impaired. The amount of the allowance for impairment is recognized in the income statement within "Administrative expenses".

2.4) FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

Financial liabilities comprise of Other Payables . Financial liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when, and only when, the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value of the consideration received less directly attributable transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

Gains and losses are recognised in the income statement when the liabilities are de-recognised as well as through the amortization process. The liabilities are de-recognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expired.

2.5) PROVISIONS

Provisions are recognised when the company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

2.6) OPEARTING LEASES

Leases where significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases.

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the income statement on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2.7) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and fixed deposits with financial institutions.

2.8) INCOME RECOGNITION

All income are recognised on receipt basis except interest earned on the fixed deposits which is accounted on effective interest method.

Subscription from ordinary members and Life membership is accounted on receipt basis.
Affiliate fee is accrued if there is a confirmed commitment to pay.

2.9) INCOME TAX

Current income tax liabilities for current and prior periods are recognised at the amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities, using the tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.
Deferred income tax assets/ liabilities are recognised for all deductible / taxable temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and tax assets/liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements except when the deferred income tax assets /liabilities arise from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting not taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax asset is recognised to the extent that is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or expenses in the income statement for the period, except to the extent that the tax arises from a transaction which is recognised directly to equity.

2.10 RELATED PARTY

For the purpose of these financial statements, parties are considered to be related to the company if the company has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the party or exercise significant influence over the party in making financial and operating decisions, or vice versa, or where the company and the party are subject to common control or significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

3. CASH AND BANK BALANCES

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Cash at Banks		
Current account	37,529	172,815
Fixed deposits *	526,337	423,629
	563,866	**596,444**

* Fixed Deposits carry an effective interest rate of 0.86% p.a

4. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Other receivables	32,606	9,760
Prepayments	900	-
	33,506	**9,760**

5. DUE FROM A RELATED PARTY

Represents amount due from a related party which is non-trade, unsecured and repayable on demand.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following are significant related party transactions during the financial year between the society and its related parties at terms mutually agreed.

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Rental of premises	1,800	9600
Donation paid	1,000	-
Printing & Stationery	1,766	-
AGM Expenses	734	-
Interest on loan	-	4,426

6. GENERAL FUND

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Beginning of financial year	582,999	467,115
Surplus for the financial year	12,565	115,884
End of the financial year	**595,564**	**582,999**

This consists of :

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Administrative and General fund	144,447	139,421
Education fund	196,359	193,846
Building fund	143,982	141,469
Cultural Fund	110,776	108,263
	595,564	**582,999**

7. TAXATION

The society is exempt from tax in respect of revenue derived from the various activities of the Society by virtue of the provision of Section 11(1) of the Income Tax Act as more than half of gross income is received from ordinary voting members.

The provision for tax relates to tax payable in respect of interest income from bank account and fixed deposits with banks, which is not exempt from tax.

No provision for tax is made during the current year on account of unutilised donations made to Institutions of Public Character.

Movement	**2011**	**2010**
	S$	**S$**
Balance at the beginning	152	89
Less: Paid during the year	152	-
	-	89
Add: Current year provision	-	63
Balance at the end of the year	**-**	**152**

Current tax expense	**2011**	**2010**
	S$	**S$**
Current year provision	-	63
	-	**63**

The tax expense on the results of the financial year varies from the amount of income tax determined by applying the Singapore statutory rate of income tax on the society's profits as a result of the following:

	2011	**2010**
	S$	**S$**
Profit before taxation	**12,565**	**115,947**
Tax at statutory rate of 17%	2,136	19,700
Tax on (non-taxables)	(2,136)	(19,637)
	-	**63**

Subject to agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax the estimated unutilized donations available for future setoff would be **S$ 17,217 /- (2010 : NIL)**

8. INCOMING RESOURCES/ RESOURCES EXPANDED

		General & Administrative fund	
	NOTE	2011	2010
Incoming resources		**S$**	**S$**
Affiliate Fees		5,600	1,600
Donations		34,006	5,253
National Day Dinner		-	500
Ordinary and Life /GIRO contribution		40,293	37,780
Bursary Awards		1,000	10,000
Fun at Library		2,000	-
Sorpor ' 11		4,060	-
Tamil Language Forum		3,900	-
Charity Gala Premier		1,000	125,620
Futsal Fiesta		2,384	8,000
Tamil Murasu		6,700	263,790
Other Income :Jobs credit		-	396
Other Income :Fixed deposit interest		2,708	1,316
Other Income- Write back of prior year accruals		21,552	-
Miscellaneous Income		207	-
Other Income :Bank interest		75	161
Total Incoming Resources		**125,485**	**454,416**
Expenses			
Donations		17,220	9,150
Futsal Fiesta		3,348	5,250
Pongal cultural event		-	4,000
Budget 2011 expense		1,796	-
Tamil language forum		11,158	5,916
Charity Gala Premier		-	11,721
Bursary Award		10,170	11,303
Fun at Library		1,015	-
Sorpor'11		13,321	-
Tamil Murasu expenses		-	233,745
Other operating expenses	10	17,679	24,896
Staff costs	9	30,551	32,488
Miscellaneous expenses- write off of prior year other receivables		6,662	-
		112,920	**338,469**
Surplus/(deficit) of expenditure over income		**12,565**	**115,947**
Less: Income tax expense		-	(63)
		12,565	**115,884**
Other Comprehensive Income net of tax		-	-
Total Comprehensive Income		**12,565**	**115,884**

9. STAFF COST

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Gross salary - Staff	26,400	28,600
Employer CPF	4,076	3,828
Skill Development levy	75	60
	30,551	**32,488**

10. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2011 S$	2010 S$
Audit fee - Current year	3,500	3,200
Audit fee – Prior year	100	-
Administrative expenses	2,850	2,482
AGM Expenses	3,019	-
Affiliate networking session	450	-
Advertisement	500	2,694
Bank Charges	1,298	1,350
Depreciation	-	795
Penalty	16	-
Printing and stationary	1,766	2,420
Refreshments	978	1,517
Repairs and maintenance	300	-
Rental of premise	1,800	9,600
Staff cost (See note 9)	30,551	32,488
Tax fee	600	600
Telephone and internet	502	238
	48,230	**57,384**

11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS- RISK MANAGEMENT

The society's overall management policy seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the society. The management carries out risk management and reviews are carried out to ensure that the society's policies and guidelines are adhered to.

i) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The society is not exposed to movements in foreign currency exchange rates.

Hence the society does not use any financial derivatives such as foreign currency forward contracts, foreign currency options or swaps for hedging purposes.

11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS- RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(ii) Interest rate risk
Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

The society has no variable interest-bearing financial instruments, hence, is not exposed to any movements in market interest rates.

(iii) Market risk
Market risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual security or its issuer or factors affecting all securities traded in the market.

The society does not hold any quoted or marketable financial instrument, hence, is not exposed to any movements in market prices.

(iv) Credit risk
Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss.

The society has no significant concentrations of credit risk.

Cash is held with financial institutions of good standing/ established financial institutions/ reputable financial institutions.

(v) Liquidity risk
Liquidity or funding risk is the risk that an enterprise will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet commitments associated with financial instruments. Liquidity risk may result from an inability to sell a financial asset quickly at close to its fair value. The society ensures that there are adequate funds to meet all its obligations in a timely and cost-effective manner.

(vi) Cash flow risk
Cash flow risk is the risk that future cash flows associated with a monetary financial instrument will fluctuate in amount.

The society is not exposed to any cash flows risk as it does not have any monetary financial instruments with variable interest rates.

(vii) Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities
The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities reported in the balance sheet approximates the carrying amounts of those assets and liabilities.

12.AUTHORISATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMETS

The financial statements of the society for the year ended **31 December 2011** were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the management committee on the date of the Statement by Management committee.